



# ***Goodwin Elementary Announcements & Events***

***Notices for 2/5/16***

- ***Coffee and Conversation Friday, Feb. 12th  
8:45-9:15am***
- ***CT Focus on Foster Care Program Schedule***
- ***Grade 4 Ice Skating Field Trip Information***
- ***2016-2017 Preschool/Kindergarten  
Contact Information***
- ***Arts Day Celebration 2016***
- ***Mansfield Public Schools Preschool  
Screening May 25th, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016***



## *Coffee and Conversation*

with Susan Muirhead-Principal

Join her Friday, February 12th at 8:45 -9:15am in  
our conference room for coffee and discussions  
on:

Smarter Balance Testing





Connecticut  
**Focus on Foster Care**  
*We all have love to give*

The Department of Children and Families needs foster families for children of all ages, particularly adolescents. Attend an information meeting where we will give descriptions of our foster family programs. Homes are especially needed for children over 12 years old.

<b>Hearts, Hands and Homes Community Collaborative for Foster Care &amp; Adoption</b> 1-860-710-1593 heartshandsandhomes.org <b>Monday</b> <b>February 8, 2016</b> <b>6:00pm</b> <b>Thompson Public Library, 934 Riverside Dr, No. Grosvenordale 06255</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>March 1, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Killingly Public Library Community Room 25 Westcott Road Danielson, CT 06239</b>	<b>Hearts, Hands and Homes Community Collaborative for Foster Care &amp; Adoption</b> 1-860-710-1593 heartshandsandhomes.org <b>Tuesday</b> <b>April 5, 2016</b> <b>6:00pm</b> <b>Killingly Public Library Community Room 25 Westcott Road Danielson, CT 06239</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> <b>May 4, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Willimantic DCF Windham Mills, Building 2, 3rd floor, 322 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>February 9, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Willimantic DCF Windham Mills, Building 2, 3rd floor, 322 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226</b>	<b>Thursday</b> <b>March 10, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Willimantic DCF Windham Mills, Building 2, 3rd floor, 322 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226</b>	<b>Thursday</b> <b>April 7, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Willimantic DCF Windham Mills, Building 2, 3rd floor, 322 Main Street, Willimantic, CT 06226</b>	<b>Hearts, Hands and Homes Community Collaborative for Foster Care &amp; Adoption</b> 1-860-710-1593 heartshandsandhomes.org <b>Monday</b> <b>May 9, 2016</b> <b>6:00pm</b> <b>Thompson Public Library, 934 Riverside Dr, No. Grosvenordale 06255</b>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>February 25, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Plainfield Community Services Complex 482 Norwich Road Plainfield, CT 06374</b>	<b>Hearts, Hands and Homes Community Collaborative for Foster Care &amp; Adoption</b> 1-860-710-1593 heartshandsandhomes.org <b>Monday</b> <b>March 28, 2016</b> <b>6:00 pm</b> <b>Plainfield Family Resource Center, 651 Norwich Rd, Plainfield</b>	<b>Monday</b> <b>April 11, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Putnam Public Library 225 Kennedy Drive (Price Chopper Plaza) Putnam, CT 06260</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>May 10, 2016</b> <b>6:30pm</b> <b>Plainfield Community Services Complex 482 Norwich Road Plainfield, CT 06374</b>

*For more information*, call 1-888-KID-HERO or visit our website: [www.ctfosteradopt.com](http://www.ctfosteradopt.com)  
Los clases se ofrecen en español. Para mayor información sobre la fecha y el lugar llame a Rosiris Espejo al:  
860-450-2064 (Spanish Only).

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321 HUNTING LODGE ROAD  
STORRS, CT 06268  
<http://www.mansfieldct.gov/goodwin>



## GRADE 4 ICE SKATING FIELD TRIP

February 1, 2016

Dear Parents,

On Friday, February 12, 2016, the fourth graders at Goodwin, Vinton and Southeast Schools are going on a field trip to the Bolton Ice Palace for the 36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ICE SKATING DAY. This field trip is part of the physical education program. I will teach our students ice safety and will make myself available to help beginners.

The students will be transported to the Bolton rink by bus, leaving Goodwin at 11:10. We will be eating lunch at the ice rink from 11:30 to 12:00. Each child needs to bring a bag lunch from home or purchase one from the Goodwin cafeteria. If your child will need a bag lunch from the school cafeteria, please have your child sign up in the classroom the day prior to the field trip.

We will be skating from 12:00 to 1:30 PM, and then return to school. You are invited to skate along with us or perhaps you would like to sit in the bleachers and watch. Adults will be admitted free.

The children are requested to bring their ice skates to school on the day of the field trip, February 12<sup>th</sup>, and appropriate outdoor attire should be worn for this event. Skates will be provided for those students who do not own a pair. Students are encouraged to wear a properly fitted helmet for safety. A pair of high socks that will protect your child's legs from the skates rubbing on their bare skin is also recommended.

In the event of a delayed opening or a snow day, the trip will be rescheduled.

Cordially,  
Steve Dean  
Physical Education Teacher

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Dean', located below the printed name.

GOODWIN ELEMENTARY  
36<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ICE SKATING DAY

Parents, please indicate below:

Does your child own a pair of skates?

YES

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NO

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Number of adults attending:

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My child will bring a lunch from home:

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My child will purchase a bag lunch:

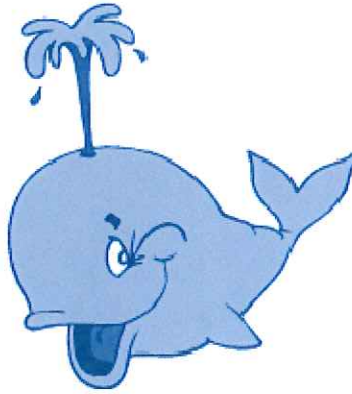
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Child's Teacher

\_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name

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Parent/Guardian Signature

# Dorothy C. Goodwin School



Do you know a 3, 4, or 5 year old  
child?

If you have a child that will be entering Preschool or  
Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year please contact  
Goodwin School for registration information by March 1, 2016 at

860-429-6316

Or email

[gnooffice@mansfieldct.org](mailto:gnooffice@mansfieldct.org)



# ARTS DAY CELEBRATION 2016!

Dear Parents & Guardians,

On Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>, after a 5 year hiatus, Goodwin School will once again be having an Arts Day Celebration! This will be an entire day devoted to showcasing, sharing and celebrating the arts in our lives. It is a very special opportunity when teachers, parents, local artists and community members can come together and share their knowledge of and love for the arts. Our goal is to develop a greater appreciation of how the arts enhance our lives as well as expose our students to some of the countless ways they can make the arts a permanent part of their lives!

In speaking of the arts we aren't just referring to the visual arts, but music, dance, drama, puppetry and other performing arts too! The day will be divided into two parts. The morning will consist of 2 one-hour workshops for grades 1-4. The pre-school and kindergartners will have special arts activities planned for them as well, one being an hour with local storyteller Carolyn Stearns! The afternoon consists of a whole school performance. Thanks to our PTO, this year we are so lucky to have amazing professional mime Rob Rivist as our special afternoon performer. Rob will also be with us in the morning leading workshops on mime for our students! It is going to be a great day!

Arts Day is a collaborative effort and its' success is dependent on the participation of not only professional artists, but all of us in our community who have found a way to express ourselves creatively. We are now looking for parents willing to volunteer their time to do a morning workshop and share an area of the arts in which they have found enjoyment with the students at Goodwin. You need not be a 'professional' artist to do this. Is there a craft you enjoy such as sewing, quilting, spinning or knitting? Do you enjoy doing calligraphy or decoupage? Does your job involve an area of the arts that you can share? Are you a photographer, illustrator, landscape designer, or architect? The possibilities are endless as the arts encompass so much! Each workshop lasts an hour and you can choose to lead one or two. Groups can be tailor made to fit the size and age range that you feel is most appropriate for the activity you want to share. We provide you with all the materials you need and even treat you to a delicious luncheon at the end of the mornings' activities (our way of saying 'thanks'). If you think you would like to do a workshop but need help with organizing ideas and knowing best how to present, I would be more that willing to work with you brainstorming ideas and sharing my

expertise in any way that might be helpful. Arts Day is not just a wonderful experience for our students, but for everyone involved!

If you are interested in presenting a workshop please fill out the short form below and return to your child's classroom teacher. I will then get back to you with a more detailed form so I can make sure you have everything you need for your presentation. Thank you so much for your willingness to support the arts in the lives of our students here at Goodwin.

Sincerely,

Karen Anger/ Art Teacher

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Name

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of Workshop:

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Please hand in by March 31st...the earlier I get responses, the easier it is to plan. Thanks!



## Mansfield Public Schools

Preschool Screening for 3 and 4 year olds.

**May 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Mansfield Public Library  
Buchanan Auditorium  
54 Warrenville Rd.  
Mansfield Center Ct.**

**Contact the office to set up an appointment.  
860-429-6316**

**Your child must be at least 3 by September 1, 2016**